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Court Announces Formation of Merit Selection Panel for Judge Cheryl R. Zwart

The current term of United States Magistrate Judge Cheryl R. Zwart, of the United States District Court for the District of Nebraska, will expire on January 14, 2018. Magistrate Judge Zwart has decided to stand for reappointment to another eight-year term. As required by law, Chief United States District Judge Laurie Smith Camp has appointed a merit selection panel to consider the reappointment of Magistrate Judge Zwart. Judge Smith Camp appointed the following members to the merit selection panel:

Steven J. Schmidt, Chairperson
Lisa M. Gotsdiner
Richard Herink
Dean Paul E. McGreal

David R. Stickman
Renee Ann Eveland
Steven A. Russell
Monte L. Neilan

"The members of this merit panel represent outstanding citizens from the legal, academic, and business communities of our state. I am confident they will provide the court with the information it needs to make a decision concerning Judge Zwart's reappointment," said Chief Judge Smith Camp.

Chief Judge Smith Camp also noted, "The process of obtaining feedback from the public concerning a magistrate judge's performance is vital to the court's continued effort to provide the highest quality service to lawyers, litigants, and the public." To that end, the merit selection panel welcomes comments from the bar and the public on Magistrate Judge Zwart's reappointment. Comments must be received by May 10, 2017, and should be directed to:

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The public notice and General Order No. 2017-01 appointing the merit selection panel are available on the court's website at

http://www.ned.uscourts.gov/internetDocs/publicNotices/2017/notice-of-reappointment-zwart.pdf, and http://www.ned.uscourts.gov/internetDocs/pom/orders/GO_2017-01.pdf.

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